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11. (SBU) The Department of State reviewed its files and finds that, as of this date, it possesses no credible evidence of gross violations of human rights committed by the individuals listed below. These individuals are candidates to attend a Vietnam-Thailand Exchange Program Workshop with the Environmental Police Department Hanoi from February 9-13, 2009.

12. (U) Candidates:

Name: Prasit Thamdee

DPOB: 20 July 1958; Sing Buri, Thailand

Title/Rank: Major General

Unit: Natural Resources and Environmental Crime Division, Royal Thai

Police

Name: Subsak Chavalviwat

DPOB: 2 February 1955; Chanthaburi

Title/Rank: Colonel

Unit: Natural Resources and Environmental Crime Division, Royal

Thai Police

Name: Thanayod Kengkasikij

DPOB: 25 September 1967; Uthai Thani, Thailand

Title/Rank: Lieutenant Colonel

Unit: Natural Resources and Environmental Crime Division, Royal

Thai Police

Name: Watcharin Phusitt

DPOB: 11 June, 1966; Nakhon Ratchasima, Thailand

Title/Rank: Lieutenant Colonel

Unit: Natural Resources and Environmental Crime Division, Royal

Thai Police

Name: Kittawat Likitbanditwong

DPOB: 26 May 1958; Prachuap Khiri Khan, Thailand

Title/Rank: Lieutenant Colonel

Unit: Natural Resources and Environmental Crime Division, Royal

Thai Police

Name: Nattakrit Duangpul

DPOB: 12 July 1976; Nakhon Pathom, Thailand

Title/Rank: Major

Unit: Natural Resources and Environmental Crime Division, Royal

Thai Police

Name: Rattanont Akethitikulpat

DPOB: 17 May 1976; Nonthaburi, Thailand

Title/Rank: Major

Unit: Natural Resources and Environmental Crime Division, Royal Thai Police

¶3. (U) Post may provide the following statement to authorized parties: Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the individuals identified above, as of this date. Post may cite this cable in response.

 $\P4.$ (U) If, in the future, post becomes aware of possible human rights violations by the individuals listed above, post should inform the Department and not proceed with training.

15. (U) POC for this action is Jameson DeBose:
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